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FROM : AmEmbassy WARSAW

DATE: March 22, 1963

SUBJECT: Visit of CODEL HARDEMAN

REF : CA-9208, February 27, 1963

Mr. Hardeman, staff assistant of the Joint Economic Committee of Congress, visited Poland from October 14 to 19, 1962. During his Warsaw visit he was briefed by the Ambassador and Deputy Chief of Mission and talked at length with the heads of the Economic, Cultural and Political Sections of the Embassy. These discussions covered the Polish political and economic situations in general terms and reviewed the magnitude and impact of United States agricultural and other assistance to Poland. Mr. Hardeman showed particular interest in the question of most favored nation treatment for Poland and the likely effect of its withdrawal as the result of the recent action by Congress.

Mr. Hardeman was entertained in Warsaw by the Ambassador at a cocktail party at which a number of Poles who had participated in the exchange program with the United States were present. On subsequent evenings, he was entertained by two other Embassy officers. In Warsaw, Mr. Hardeman conferred with Mr. Bernacki-Poray, head of the American committee building the children's hospital in Krakow and with Mr. Frank Thomas, chief of the CARE program in Poland.

On October 17, Mr. Hardeman flew to Krakow where he was met by an Embassy officer. During his thirty-six hour stay he visited the construction site of the children's hospital, the Lenin (Nowa Huta) steel works and other points of interest. He visited the home of a well-known Polish artist and had an opportunity to meet a number of other representative Poles. He returned to Warsaw on October 19 by automobile and departed the same day for Copenhagen by air.

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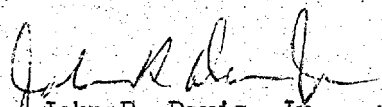
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Mr. Hardeman expressed satisfaction with the arrangements made for his visit. His keen mind and most pleasant personality made the period of his stay a pleasure for all those with which he came in contact, and he was additionally able to provide the Embassy with much guidance on Congressional attitudes. Control officers for the visit were Gifford Malone in Warsaw and John R. Davis in Krakow.

For the Ambassador:



John R. Davis, Jr.
Second Secretary of Embassy

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